

WEATHER REPORT . . .
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—Weather forecast: Northern California: Rain to-night and Wednesday; fresh southerly winds.
San Francisco and Vicinity: Showers to-night and Wednesday; fresh southerly wind.

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OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 21, 1899.

THE TRIBUNE gives the news. It is the only paper that can give you the best telegraphic service—The Associated Press Dispatches.

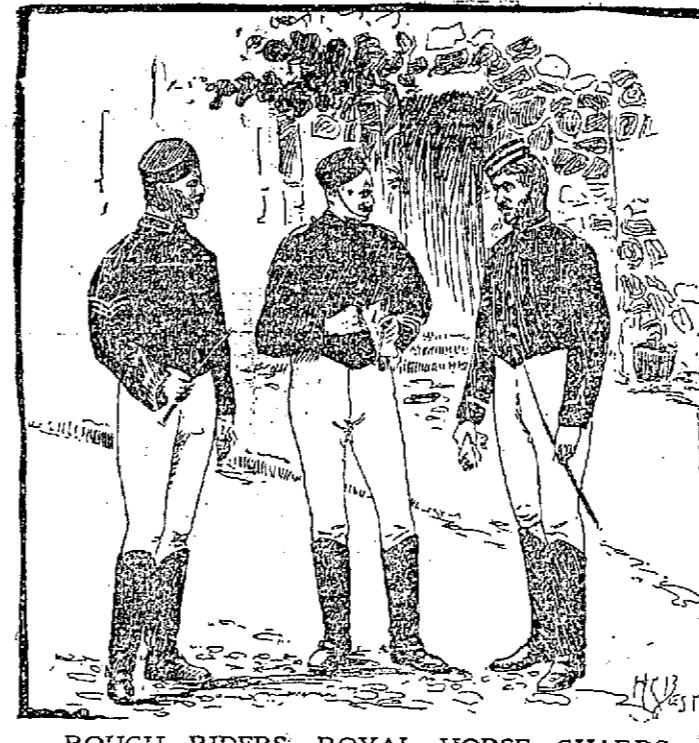
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HOBART'S LIFE HAS GONE OUT

The Vice-President Claimed By Death Early This Morning.

BOERS BEATEN IN A FIGHT NEAR ESTCOURT

British Drive Them From Strong Position, and the Burghers Lose Their General



ROUGH RIDERS, ROYAL HORSE GUARDS

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire
PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 21.—Vice-President Hobart died at 8:30 a.m.

The Vice-President had been failing since late yesterday afternoon, although the reports given out at first were that he was holding his own. Soon after midday he became unconscious and at 7 o'clock this morning he had an attack of angina pectoris, from which he never rallied.

Mrs. Hobart, Garrett A. Hobart, Jr., Dr. Noyes, Mrs. Newton, who is a cousin of Mrs. Hobart, and Miss Alice Waddell, the nurse, were at the patient's bedside constantly from the time he became unconscious.

PATIENT TO THE LAST.

Before Mr. Hobart became unconscious he was able to converse with Mrs. Hobart and some private affairs. He was very patient and showed his remarkable will power to the last.

At 7:30 this morning the Vice-President's private secretary, Mr. Evans, came up the White House steps and informed Mr. McKinley that Mr. Hobart was dying. At 9 o'clock Mr. Evans communicated again with the President, notifying him of the Vice-President's death.

President McKinley sent word that he would endeavor to have a talk with Mr. Hobart over the telephone this afternoon.

During the forenoon many of the Vice-President's intimate friends and neighbors called at Carroll Hall and left their cards.

MCKINLEY'S SYMPATHY.

Soon after the news of Mr. Hobart's death was announced telegrams of condolence began to arrive at Carroll Hall. Among the first to send words of sympathy and condolence to Mrs. Hobart were President and Mrs. McKinley.

Mrs. Hobart bears up well under her bereavement.

The flags on the city and other public buildings were half-masted. Flags on many private buildings and dwellings were also hung at half-mast.

HONORS FOR THE DEAD.

The bell on the City Hall was tolled at intervals during the forenoon.

The Passaic County Court adjourned in token of respect to the dead Vice-President.

The business houses and public buildings of Paterson are being draped. A special meeting of the Common Council was called for noon at the City Hall to take suitable action on Mr. Hobart's death. The Vice-President's private effects in the city were removed as soon as his death was announced.

THE NATIONAL NEXT SUNDAY.

The funeral will probably be held next Sunday, although no public announcement has yet been made.

Although the Vice-President's death had been expected at any time, he still had faith, however, in the last by his friends, that he would survive for some time to come, and they were deeply affected by his death.

GLOOMY CABINET MEETING.

This was the regular Cabinet meeting day, and the members gathered at the White House at 11 o'clock, but the death of the Vice-President overshadowed all else and no business was done except the arrangement of the funeral.

Attorney-General Griggs, however, remained to discuss the President's death as a personal bereavement.

Mrs. McKinley was greatly affected. She gave way completely to her grief and sobbed convulsively. Mrs. McKinley has but few intimates here, and among her most cherished friends were the members of the Cabinet.

Attorney-General Griggs said he would leave for Paterson immediately after the Cabinet meeting.

The Attorney-General and Vice-President Hobart were perhaps closer than any two men in public life in this Administration.

SECRETARY GAGE'S TRIBUTE.

Mr. Gage, Secretary of the Treasury, said: "He was a noble illustration of the typical American. Educated in our schools, his mind was broad and open to all the great principles which comes from the burdens and responsibilities of active business life. Though closely associated in large affairs, he kept unsullied those high ideals which are inseparable from a true love of justice and liberty. His soul was the greatest expression of his personality as to win the confidence of every one fortunate enough to come into relations with him. While his political convictions were firmly held, he was just and considerate to his political opponents, and among his works will be his memory the longest are those radically different from him in his political creed."

FUNERAL AT PATERSON.

Sergeant-at-Arms Bright of the Senate has been in communication with the Vice-President's private secretary during the greater part of the day, but at noon the time for the funeral had not been definitely settled. It was stated, however, that the attorney-general would hold a place at Paterson, and it was believed that it would occur Saturday afternoon. When the time is definitely fixed arrangements will be made for the proper representation of the Senate at the ceremony.

The flags over the public buildings were half-masted early in the day. Beyond this there was no outward evidence of mourning drapery, and the office of the Vice-President's private secretary has put out the former practice of dragging the public buildings on the death of an executive. All the executive departments will be closed on the day of the funeral. Attorney-General Griggs left this afternoon for Paterson. He goes as the personal representative of the President and Cabinet, and will arrange with the family of Mr. Hobart for the funeral.

The entire nation is left in his hands as far as the official features of the ceremony are concerned.

MCKINLEY'S PROCLAMATION.

After the Cabinet meeting the President issued the following proclamation:

"By the President of the United States. A Proclamation To the People of the United States.

"GEORGE AUGUSTUS HOBART, Vice-President of the United States, died at his home in Paterson, N. J., at eight thirty o'clock this morning. In him the nation has lost one of its most illustrious citizens, and one of its most faithful servants. He participated in the country's life and the law-making body of his native State was marked by unswerving fidelity and by a high order of talents and attainments; and his too brief career as Vice-President of the United States and

the following message to every Senator:

"WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Hon. H. D. Frye, President pro tem of the Senate, directs me to notify you of your selection as a member of the committee of the whole to consider the Senate bill on the funeral expenses of the Senate at the funeral of Vice-President Hobart at Paterson at 2 o'clock p. m., Saturday, November 25th. The committee will meet in the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York City, for your entertainment while in New York, and proceed to Paterson by special train at 12 o'clock. This train will run from Paterson to Washington, arriving in the capital at 11 p. m. November 25th.

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"(Signed.)

J. R. BRIGHT,
Sergeant-at-Arms."

FUNERAL ON SATURDAY.

PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 21.—Mr. Hobart's funeral will take place Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Church of the Redeemer (Presbyterian).

Commission to Issue.

Public Administrator, E. C. Hayes has petitioned for a commission to issue to take the testimony of Catherine Hayes of Brandon, Ireland, in the matter of the estate of Dennis Sullivan, deceased.

EMERYVILLE TRACK, Nov. 21.—The first race today resulted as follows:

Rushel first at 2 to 1.

Mandamus second at 12 to 1.

Jolly Briton third at 12 to 1.

Time, 1:18 1/2.

The result of the second race was as follows:

Nanomix first at 1 to 5.

Ricardo second at 5 to 1.

Walt Ham third at 5 to 1.

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ALAMEDA COUNTY NEWS

MANY TOWNS ARE REPRESENTED

FIREMEN WILL NOT TURN OUT. NEWS NOTES FROM HAYWARDS

Berkeley Trustees Refuse to Give Them Any Assistance.

BERKELEY. Nov. 21.—Quite an excitement was caused yesterday evening by a fire, the flames of which lit up some of the appearance of a big conflagration.

The burning building, however, proved to be a small barn in the rear of Fred Darragh's butcher shop at 1738 Berkeley Way. The barn was full of hay and the fire spread rapidly and made a big blaze for a time.

There were seventy-five bales of hay in the barn and only five were saved. There was no insurance on either hay or barn.

The loss is estimated at \$150.

Mr. Darragh is at a loss to know how the fire started as there was no light or fire in the shop and he knows of no enemies whom he would suspect of setting fire to the barn.

COLUMBIA COMPANY DISBANDS. For the first time in years the Columbia Fire Company did not turn out to the fire last night. There has been some good-natured rivalry between the company and the one on them trying to be first at a fire. The Columbia Company has made many very quick runs and has the name of being the crack company of Berkeley.

The boys, however, have become disgusted at the failure of the Town Trustees to furnish good apparatus and to pay for the work done.

The boys feel that the property owners in a town of 14,000 inhabitants ought to pay for the spoiled clothes and the hard night runs which are made for the purpose of saving life and protecting property.

As the Board of Trustees does not seem inclined to help the boys out, Columbia Company has decided to disband. The boys are to have the purpose in the Fire House last evening.

MUST PAY WAGES.

The case of the Stewart Collection Agency against F. W. Munday was tried yesterday afternoon before Judge Edgar. The suit was for \$30 wages claimed to be due Thomas Neelin. The plaintiff was awarded \$100 damages.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL.

A Christmas festival, consisting of a musical and literary program, will be given in Sisterna Hall Christmas night by the West Berkeley Lodge No. 21. Order Hermann's Sons. At the close of the program the floor will be cleared for dancing.

CHORAL SOCIETY.

The Berkeleian Choral Society held its first regular rehearsal yesterday evening in the Dewey Hall. By the selection of the best talent and by its plan for thorough training this society is laying the foundation for a very successful winter.

NEWS NOTES.

Frank E. Thompson, the Dwight Way plumber, has accepted the contract for the plumbing of Hearst Hall.

One of Contractor Marshall's wagons loaded with crushed rocks was passing along Telegraph avenue at a point near Alcatraz when one of the wheels came off. A passenger secured the car truck and the cars were delayed until the wagon could be dragged to one side.

PERSONALS.

As Town Clerk Coborn, who was badly injured by being thrown from a horse, was unable to be present, the Board of Trustees decided to hold no meeting last night. The matters before the board will be laid over for one week.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

The friends and schoolmates of Duke Monday gave him a surprise party last Saturday evening at the home of his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mafford of Forty-seventh street, Duke was 12 years old on that day, and the party was given to celebrate the event.

Music and games were enjoyed by all. The very pleasant evening was spent. These games were: Afternoon, Badminton, Billiards, Wallace, Badminton, Lenoir, Sevend, Salle, Rummusen, Helen Read and Evelyn Gilbert; Masters, Willie Waldegard, Frank Seward, Willie Read, Connie Gilbert, Jessie Peery, May Vogler, Alice Wallace, David Smart, James White and Duke and Maurice Muddern.

ALDEN.

IRVINGTON.

PLEASANTON.

ROARING FORGE AT THE DEWEY.

The Dewey management this week offers its patrons a roaring forge, not by way of variety and they crowded the theater last night to see "Mr. Plaster of Parts." The piece made a tremendous hit at once. It is uproariously funny and comes from an author who remains so many of the modern farces.

The Niles Herald made another of its heart-felt "scroops" last week when it stated that the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, of 468 Third Street, had just been celebrated at the family residence after a long illness.

The parents are heartbroken over the death of their daughter who was a young lady of many estimable traits and who had many of friends in this community.

INTERESTING TALK.

E. A. Thompson who has recently returned from Alaska addressed the Junior Christian Endeavor meeting of the Park Congregational Church Sunday afternoon. He spoke on the interesting customs of that region. Many of the queer customs of that region were described to the children and a very good account was given them of the way in which missionaries are forced to work in that cold region.

MEAT QUOTATIONS.

Beef and Mutton. Pork and Veal firm. Lamb steaks...lb. 10c

Tenderloin, Loin and Round Steak...lb. 10c

Porterhouse and Prime Blk Steak...lb. 10c

Rib Steak...lb. 10c

Hamburgers and Pork Sausage Meats...lb. 10c

3 lbs. for 10c

Pork Chops and Pork Roast...10c

Corned Beef...10c

Leg Mutton...10c

Mutton Chops...10c

Boiling Beef...5c and 10c

Prim Rib Roast...10c

Lamb Steaks...10c

VINCENT'S MEAT MARKET,

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Big Cargo For the Orient.

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TRACOMA, Wash., Nov. 21.—The North American Miners' Steamship Company's steamer St. Irene, one of a new fleet of six vessels chartered by the company leaves here today with a cargo of 7,000 tons for China and Japan. Coromansen McFate took his degree of law.—Washington Press.

CONSOLATION.

Miss Goodwin—What fortune teller told you your marriage would be a calamity?

Mrs. Highflier—Yes, dear; but don't you go to worrying! She said my second and third marriages would turn out just splendid.—Judge.

BEECHAM'S SPILLS.

taken at night will make you feel right, act right and look right. They cure Constipation.

10 cents and 25 cents, at all drug stores.

CASTORIA.

Bear the Kind You Have Always Bought

Signature of *Chat H. Hitchens*

MEETING OF THE EDUCATORS. New Rules Proposed Governing Absence of Pupils.

The Board of Education met last night in regular session President Banc in the chair. Present Directors Gray, Waterfield, Redington, Wilcox, Randolph, Meagles, Rutherford, Powell, Price, and Knox.

Miss D. L. Wilson asked that her boy Dan be given a transfer from the School to the Garfield School. Granted.

Principal McChesney of the High School protested against the variable standard for determining which schools the pupils, which he understood was practiced by the principals of the Oakland schools. He said it was unfair to make comparisons between the High School and other schools unless the same standard was used in all. Resolved to consider the matter and Regulations.

Director Wilcox, of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, recommended that the High School be closed at 3 o'clock and High School pupils in the Central School be dismissed at the same hour. This rule took effect after January 1st. Referred back to committee for further consideration.

Director Powell, of the Classification Committee, suggested that the State Superintendent of Schools be also present.

Director Rutherford, of the Curriculum Committee, recommended the following amendment to the rules and regulations:

"We recommend that section 48, page 29 of Rules and Regulations, be amended to read: 'After action, if not otherwise provided by contract of the principal,' the following:

"The only valid excuse for absence or tardiness, except on days held sacred by parents, shall be (1) sickness of the pupil; (2) sickness of some member of the family; (3) death of some member of the family; (4) impossibility to send the pupil promptly; (5) inclement weather when sending the pupil would endanger his health; (6) accident delaying the pupil after he has started to school; (7) absence or tardiness caused by previous direction of parent or guardian."

"We recommend that the rules be suspended and the foregoing be adopted this evening and take effect at 3 o'clock back to committee.

Director Randolph, of the Committee on School Houses and Sites, recommended that certain steps be placed in the basement of the Cole School. He said the cost would not exceed \$17. All expenses paid.

Mr. Randolph asked for further time which to report on the Lincoln School. Granted.

He also said that a plank walk was needed on both sides of the Tompkins School. Ordered laid.

Director Rutherford, of the Committee on Furniture and Supplies, submitted requisitions for supplies for the next term of school. After the requisitions were read, the committee voted that the requisitions for composition, practice and manila paper for the Durrant, Cole and Prescott schools be cut down to the same amount as the Lincoln School. So ordered. It was also voted that a fifteen-year paper be asked for twelve-year paper be substituted. So ordered.

The remainder of the requisitions were granted as read.

The Western Dry Goods Company offered to supply the Central School with manila paper, seventy-one pound rolls, thirty-six inches wide, for 5 cents a pound. Offer accepted by the Board.

Director Redington moved that certain changes be made in hours of the High School evening school. Referred to Committee on School Houses and Sites with power to act.

Director Rutherford moved that the arrangement of the evening school be referred to the High School Committee and superintendents, with power to act. So ordered.

Superintendent McClymonds' report recommending that the schools close on Thanksgiving Day and the Friday following was ordered.

He also recommended that salary warrants for November be ordered paid. So ordered.

Director Randolph asked that school be opened to the instruments on the Observatory. Referred to Finance Committee.

A communication was received from the Oakland Club saying the playground department meets on Wednesday at 3 p.m. at Hamilton Hall.

The Board then adjourned.

ST. COLOMBIA FAIR.

This evening the young ladies of St.

Saints De Sales Church will present the

annual fair at the church.

The fair was intended as a part of the pro-

gram for last Saturday evening but had

to be postponed as the young ladies were

not able to be present.

NOTES.

J. A. Dickenson is having some inter-

views with regard to his residence on

Butler avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Mendell of Butler

avenue are the proud parents of a little

blue girl. Both mother and child are

doing well.

Miss Jessie Johnson of San Mateo is

visiting the family of her uncle, J. E.

Johnson of this place.

SAINT LEANDRO.

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DOMESTIC SCIENCE SCHOOL IS OPEN.

The Department of Playground will oc-

upy the attention of the Oland Club

on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in

upper Hamilton Hall. Reports of the work

gathered and arranged will be pre-

pared by Prof. F. M. Fisher, principal

of the Central School, and President of

the Alameda County Teachers' Club or

"The Playground as a Formation of

Character."

The weight of the outgoing mail mat-

terials between October 2nd and November 8th are as follows:

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ounces; second class, 105 pounds 10

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The Eastern offices of the Oakland Tribune are situated at 230 to 234 Temple Court, New York City, and at 217 and 32 U. S. Express Building, Chicago, with Mr. E. Katz as manager.

**AMUSEMENTS.**

Macdough—"A Lady of Quality." Dewey—"Mr. Plaster of Paris." Collier—"Smith, Last Home." Craig—"Opera House—'Evangeline.'" Tivoli—"Okeho." California—"Yon Vonson." Orpheum—Vaudeville. Alcazar—"My Friend from India." Alhambra—"In Old Kentucky." Oakland Race Track—Races today and tomorrow.

PICNICS AT SMALL MOUND PARK. Sunday, November 24th—Closing picnic of the season of 1898.

TUESDAY.....NOVEMBER 21, 1898.

The Boats are reported to be advancing upon both Laing's Nek and Nicholson's Nek. It is easy to see where they now propose giving it to the British.

A man across the bay is said to have disjointed his shoulder while sneezing. That's strange; if he had dislocated his nose or his knees we might have realized how it happened.

Four worshipers of the sun are said to have taken up residence in Oakland. They are welcome, but we bar anything in the line of moonshiners, especially while that Tennessee regiment is around.

Chicago, always on the qui vive for an original attraction, announces its intention to shortly hold a live stock exposition. Can it be that the Windy City people are referring to the Republican National Convention, for which they are one of the bidders?

Now that the development of the oil industry in California has resulted in remodeling a number of sea-going vessels so that petroleum can be used as fuel, there will be more significance than ever to that old-time nautical command, "Pipe all hands to supper!"

The Burlington Road people announce their intention of building West as soon as possible. Now that the entering wedge has been driven in by the Santa Fe line, it is only a question of time before all the transcontinental systems extend to tide water on this side of the continent. What they want is business, and as there is unquestionably going to be a large development in that regard out this way, they, of course, want to be on hand to participate.

The developments regarding the war tax investigation at the Court House, whereby it is shown that fully a thousand instruments have been recorded without bearing the stamp required by law, mean a whole lot of trouble for some people later on. The fact that no un-stamped instrument can be introduced in evidence if it comes within the province of the statute, means that those who have been congratulating themselves because they evaded the tax will find their smartness short-sighted should the instruments in question ever become involved in litigation. The Collector, too, proposes to get after the defaulters on the penalty provision, so it is a sorry proposition for them, whichever way it is regarded.

THE SMALLPOX CASES.

Another outbreak of smallpox is reported among the troops quartered at the Presidio, and the consequent quarantining of the entire regiment in which the cases occurred calls attention once more to the necessity of being especially on the alert just now as regards the dreaded disease. It has been lurking around the State for several months, first Los Angeles being visited by a number of cases, then San Francisco and some of the northern coast points, while a couple of outbreaks this side of the bay have also been added to the list.

But for the rigid sanitary precautions that have been adopted, and the prompt action of the military authorities in quarantining whole regiments whenever & case was reported, it is more than likely that an epidemic might have broken out in this part of the State that would not only have meant the sacrificing of many lives, but would have cost us large sums from a commercial standpoint. To paraphrase an oft-quoted adage, "Eternal vigilance is the price of health," and at the present time unusual steps should be taken to guard against the malignant visitor. The general vaccination that has been going on in the public schools and State institutions will do much toward preventing anything in the line of an epidemic, and those who have so far avoided this method of protection should hesitate no longer to take advantage of it, especially if their business or movements take them where they will come in contact with the public in general. Smallpox is easy enough to ward off, but mighty hard to get rid of, and at a time like this, when there is danger in the air, no chances should be taken by man, woman or child.

OUR SHIPPING INTERESTS.

The annual report of E. T. Chamberlain, United States Commissioner of Navigation, furnishes much food for reflection to those interested in our commercial development. It clearly shows that our attention must be seriously turned to the creation of a representative merchant marine, for under the present conditions we are denying ourselves one of the most fruitful sources of revenue.

While our coast commerce has been steadily building up until the total tonnage sailing under the American flag in that regard is now greater than that of any other country, our foreign marine is in a lamentable condition, less than 9 per cent of our exports and imports being carried last year by American vessels. On the face of this it is evident how poorly we are looking after our own interests, for the very fact that our harbors are crowded with foreign ships carrying our wares is indication enough that there is big money in the business, and the situation becomes more striking when it is paralleled by the illustration of supposing we should permit foreign railroads to build all over our country, carrying our freight and passengers and then pocketing the earnings. Yet that is what it amounts to, for the profits of maritime commerce are as great if not greater than those of land trade, and we are therefore simply enriching others at our own expense.

Why, if the business is so remunerative, does not more private capital engage in it, is a question that may well be asked. The answer is that our trading relations abroad have not yet been fully developed, and in order to do this there should be a system of grants or subsidies such as were in order when the Pacific roads were constructed over unproductive territory. Other countries build up their shipping in this way, the European nations having spent over \$22,000,000 last year in such promotion, while even China and Japan made an outlay of about \$5,000,000 on their foreign steamship lines. As against this, the total expenditures of the United States were but \$10,000, a trifle that can scarcely be said to enter into the calculations at all.

Congress is to be given an opportunity to remedy the situation at the approaching session, however. The bills on the subject that were introduced last session by Senator Hanna and Congressmen Payne have been incorporated into a measure now being handled by Senator Frye, and which provides for a maximum annual expenditure for houses of \$7,500,000. From this is to be deducted \$1,500,000, the amount now being paid annually for carrying American mails on ocean steamers, and the balance is to be distributed proportionately to the increase of tonnage. Inducements of this nature will undoubtedly result in the establishment of new lines, for where, under the present conditions, to attempt to build up maritime relations might mean operating at a loss instead of a profit, the guarantee in the form of subsidies will permit the investment of capital upon a basis, at least, there will be no immediate loss sustained. Congress should not hesitate to pass the measure, and when it gets on the statute books shipping men should not be slow to take advantage of it, for the future of our merchant marine is unquestionably a glorious one. The very fact that our marine commerce is in such a healthy condition as to attract the foreign fleets of the world should be argument enough for us, and properly stimulated in our own behalf the industry will take on proportions that will make it second to none within our possession.

It seems scarcely possible that, as related in dispatches from the East, President McKinley's message will contain no reference to the Nicaragua Canal. In the first place, it is an issue directly before the people, and one in which the entire West is especially interested, and again, it is well known that the Administration is desirous of adding the improvement to its list of successes. The report in question, therefore, should be taken with several large pinches of salt.

The pronostication to get up a national subscription to present a home to Schley, following as it does so closely upon a similar movement in Dewey's behalf, creates the suspicion that the real estate men are at the bottom of this new method of expressing public gratitude. They are doubtless figuring just as hard on their commissions as the officers engaged in the war did on theirs.

Russia is now said to be relying upon the United States for her wheat supply, the reports declaring that the entire crop in the Czar's realm is practically a failure. It is remarkable how, in view of this statement, the bulls are unable to run up the local market even now that they have the Russian bear on their side.

The Democratic leaders say that Bryan is their only hope, which is tantamount to throwing up the sponge already, for it is apparent that he is of the "forborn" brand. McKinley could not have an easier thing of it, even if he had the making of all the Democratic arrangements himself.

Theodore Thomas declines to carry out his original agreement to take his orchestra to the Paris fair, and alleges the Dreyfus affair as the reason of his change of heart. What a convenient excuse that is proving to some people, and yet what a poor one it is in view of subsequent events.

HIS LITTLE JOKE.

"John," said the politician's wife, waking up about 2 a.m., "what's that noise?"

"That noise?" echoed John, dreamily.

"Oh, I guess it's some rats holding ratification meeting in the attic."—Chicago News.

A FEW POINTERS.

The recent statistics of the number of deaths show that the large majority die with consumption. This disease may commence with an apparently harmless cough which can be cured instantly by Kony's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, which is guaranteed to cure and relieve all cases. Price 25c and 50c. For sale by all druggists.

ALAMEDA**NEW CHARTER
FOR ENCINAL.****Municipal League Dis-
cussed Matter at
a Meeting.**

ALAMEDA, Nov. 21.—The Municipal League of Alameda held a meeting last evening in Lindemann's Hall and discussed the matter of a new charter. Lindemann is now classed as a city of the fifth class, while it is entitled to be a city of the third class. The report of the league is as follows:

Perhaps the leading objection that may be urged against our present organic law is that our citizens have had little voice in making and can have very little in amending it. All amendments thereto must be by act of the Legislature. Such action may be brought about by the initiative of one or more citizens of this state, which are cities of the fifth class. The influence moving in favor of a proposed amendment may be, and often has been, one not in harmony with the interests of Alameda. Our main point is that the interests of the several departments of government are not coming up. At each session of the Legislature, since the original enactment of the organic law there have been amendments to the charter, most of these having been secured by influence exerted by others than our citizens. Some of these have been inimical to the interests of our city.

Furthermore, the Legislature may at any time be induced to amend our organic law by the pressure of influence nor in the interest of any city of the fifth class, but opposed to the general good of all.

As a result each session of the Legislature brings a season of unrest and requires a watchfulness on the part of our elected representatives to prevent a loss of a harmful change to be made in our organic law.

This would be a forcible objection even if our charter as it stands were a satisfactory instrument; it is far from that.

First.—The lack of a system of checks

upon the expenditure of the city funds. Second.—The proper enforcement of supervision over the various departments of the city government.

Third.—The system of electing school directors is inadequate to the production of the best results.

Fourth.—The election by popular ballot of the City Clerk and City Attorney

is objectionable.

Having thus reported in favor of the possibility of a new charter, it is proper to say regarding the necessary steps to be taken for the attainment of that end. They are:

First.—A proclamation issued by resolution of the Board of City Trustees and published by law, calling for an election of freeholders.

Second.—A special election.

Third.—A charter must be published twenty consecutive days and must be submitted to voters of the city for ratification. Such nomination may be either in general or in special election.

Fourth.—A special election for the

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Uncovered Cushions Full line of sizes of plain cambric covered cushions, good reliable goods; no cotton batting in them.

Down cushions, all sizes, several grades, prices from 50c for 16-inch, to 75c for 26-inch. Silk Floss Cushions, 25c for 16-inch, to 85c for 26-inch. These pillows will give satisfactory wear, will not get lumpy and hard.

Ladies' Wrappers A lot of new dark percale and flannel wrappers just received. They're well made, extra wide and long; are in latest style and newest patterns—\$1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 1.75.

Eiderdown Sacques We want you to know that we are selling all wool Eiderdown Sacques, plain, colored, rippled or fancy colors, splendidly made. at..... \$1.25

Ready-made Worsted Goods We probably show a much larger line of hand and machine-made woolen goods, than any other store in this city.

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Infants' Leggings, single, 25c, 40c, 50c.

Infants' Leggings, double or drawer, 40c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00.

ROUTINE WORK OF THE COUNCIL

Petitions Acted Upon at the Meeting Last Evening.

At the meeting of the City Council last night routine business as follows was transacted:

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions and communications were disposed of as follows:

From E. P. Flint, to build a five-foot walk on Fairmount avenue in front of his property. Street Committee.

From T. Lindenbaum to build a shed upon his property on Water street, upon the Board of Public Works for permission to purchase 1,100 feet of fire hose. Auditing and Finance.

From the same for the amendment of ordinance 162 to prevent the use of unlighted lamps on the streets. Ordinance and Judiciary.

From the same returning to the Council a resolution regarding the City Numberer Committee of the Whole.

From the same, asking authority for the removal of sidewalk at Lake street and Jackson street at Lake Merritt, Auditing and Finance.

From the same, requesting advice as to the completion of the rock wall on the boundary line between the city and Alameda. Street Committee.

From the same, for authority to employ four men to care for catch-basins and culverts during storms. Auditing and Finance.

From Borcovich & Son, for permission to move their scale room on Main and Webster streets. Steel Committee.

From G. Wheeler and others for the sidewalk of East Twenty-first from Nineteenth to Twenty-third avenues. Street Committee.

From E. O. Olney against the report of the Commissioners in the matter of the opening of Adams street, December 1st, set for hearing the same.

From Martin Walsh and others against the sidewalk of the north side of Third street, between Alameda and Market streets. Street Committee.

From "Junius" to locate the proposed library building on Eleventh street between Grove and Jefferson. Filed.

From the East Oakland Improvement

Constipation

Headache, biliousness, heartburn, indigestion, and all liverills are cured by

Hood's Pills

Sold by all druggists. 25 cents.

Judgment For Plaintiff.

Judge Greene has given the German Savings and Loan Society judgment of \$1,000.00, principal and interest, \$300 attorney's fees and costs.

MAYOR SNOW WINS HIS FIGHT.

Will Not Be Sued By the City Council for Commissions.

At the meeting of the City Council last night the resolution introduced by Mr. A. Upton to institute legal proceedings against ex-Auditor Snow and his hounds to recover \$3,562.29 alleged to be legally withheld as commission on personal taxes collected by the ex-Auditor during his incumbency was defeated by a vote of 5 to 4. The suit, however, was deferred three months. The motion so that effect was made by Mr. Baird and seconded by Mr. Upton.

The discussion which took place showed some spirit and feeling on both sides. The motion of Mr. Upton, however, subsequently voted in private, would not bar the prosecution of the suit, however. A hundred people had spoken to him on the subject, and all had declared that the Mayor should be required to refund the money. Mr. Baird, who spoke first, said he believed that the (bunkum) would be one of a number of citizens who would, at their own accord, bring suit against the ex-Auditor to compel him to refund the money in controversy held by him.

The subject was introduced by Chairman Rowes, who read the following from the East Oakland Improvement Club to the Clerk with the request that it be read:

EAST OAKLAND'S STAND.

To the Honorable the City Council of Oakland, California—Gentlemen: At a meeting of the East Oakland Improvement Club on Friday evening the 11th inst., it was unanimously voted that the club should demand the action of the City Council in taking the initiative to determine judicially the right of ex-Auditor Snow to retain for his own use the commission on personal tax collected by him as City Auditor. The club urges yet honest and body to proceed by exciting a friendly suit to be brought and have decided at once and finally the rights of Mr. Snow in the matter, as it is evident from his public expressions that this is his desire, as it is undeniably the wish of the taxpayers of the city.

W. S. NORTHROP, President.

J. A. WEBSTER, Sec. pro tem.

THE CHARGES MADE.

Read the resolution on the subject," said Chairman Rowes.

The Clerk read the following:

Mr. A. Upton, Snow, while Auditor and City Clerk, collected \$3,562.29 in Oakland, failed and neglected to turn over to the city treasury \$8,576.26 of the personal property tax collected by him, deducting therefrom and converting to his own personal use and benefit the sum sum plus interest.

In the year 1894, \$125; in the year 1895, \$10.16; in the year 1896, \$6,617.21; in the year 1897, \$11,122.19; in the year 1898, \$17,057.50; total, \$8,576.26.

"Whereas, the City charter fixes the salary of the City Auditor and City Clerk at \$3,000, and the Auditor and Clerk receive \$1,000 each in the general allowance for any compensation to said officer in addition thereto or empowers him to give to his personal use any portion of the taxes collected by him; and said public money was so deducted, making the amount of tax of law whatsoever now therefore be it

"Resolved, That the City Attorney be and he is hereby authorized and directed to institute proper legal proceedings against R. W. Snow and his hounds to recover the amount of said money so misappropriated."

Mr. Girard moved the adoption of this resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilman Taylor.

"I am in favor," said Mr. Girard, "of the adoption of the resolution. I think it ought to pass, and I feel that it is my duty to vote for it. I would like to vote for Mr. Snow, but I must not duty before personal friendship. I have spoken to a number of persons in my ward, and they tell me it is my duty to vote to have this resolution passed. By the way, I have justice to them I must put duty before friendship and do what is right. I would like to have Mr. Snow win. I believe he will win, but this matter ought to be settled in the courts. The Judges of the Superior Court are honorable men, and the decision when it will be made will satisfy us all. They will not be asked for the settlement of the case, but the people will be with us and work for the bonds when we ask them."

CUVELLIER'S VIEWS.

"I feed," said Mr. Cuvelier, "as Mr. Girard does. I don't see why the friends of the ex-Auditor are pleading for delay. It is their friends who are efficient as officers. Mr. Snow was an efficient officer, and he acted as he has, but he had not good reasons for so doing. It is not to be presumed for a moment that he would have illegally appropriated money which he was not entitled to. This is a question of law, and the Board of Public Works may hold on to this commission as soon as possible. They say that if the suit is brought it will hurt the bonds. I say no. If the suit is not brought it will hurt the bonds. The people will not be consulted in the settlement of the case, but we ask for the settlement of the case, the people will be with us and work for the bonds when we ask them."

STETSON'S MOTION.

Mr. Stetson moved that the matter lay over for four months and said that he would pay the money to the City Attorney if the suit was not brought in that time.

"I don't make any difference," said Mr. Stetson, "but I will be most glad to have a chance to vote on it in the Council, whether it goes over six years or six months."

Mr. Barstow changed his motion from to three months and Mr. Upton seconded it, and it prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes—Barstow, Kramm, Meese, Mott, Schaffer, Upton 6.

Nays—Cuvelier, Girard, Stetson, Taylor.

In explaining his vote Mr. Girard said that he did not see why the Council should postpone it. Mr. Upton had said that the Mayor ought to be given time to defend himself. The Council could not do this, but the Mayor should have been given time to do it in the court of law.

As soon as the result of the vote was declared, Mr. Howe said:

"That means that it has been laid over indefinitely."

"Your remarks are out of order," said Mr. Howe, referring to Mr. Stetson.

"I think so, too, joined in Mr. Upton."

"I had no such idea when I voted."

"I know what your views are," said Mr. Howe, and then the discussion ceased.

UPTON DISSENTS.

"We don't," said Mr. Upton, "want to

ORDINANCES.

Ordinances were finally passed as follows:

WATER QUESTION.

Touching the matter of testing the Roberts' wells measures were disposed of as follows:

Authorizing the Board of Public Works to employ men to test Roberts' wells. Immediately postponed.

Rectifying the matter of Parte & Laces for the sidewalk of Webster street.

Granting Wm. Hoffschneider permission to extend sidewalk on East Webster street and Thirteenth avenue.

Resolving resolution No. 2355 authorizing the Superintendent of Streets to construct sidewalks six feet wide on Seventh avenue from East Twentieth to East Twenty-second streets. Street Committee.

Overruling the protest of Mr. Birney and others against the re-macadamizing of Twelfth street between Kirkham and Center streets. Adopted.

Granting Wm. Hoffschneider permission to extend sidewalk on East Webster street and Thirteenth avenue.

Instructing the Board of Public Works to build a catch-basin at Fourth and Jackson streets. Street Committee.

Appropriating \$1,200 for the purchase of horses for the Fire Department. Passed.

Paying salaries for November. Passed.

Declaring that all water mains shall hereafter be at least four inches in diameter. Passed.

CITY NUMBERER.

Authorizing the City Numberer to hire an office for his use.

Authorizing the City Numberer to collect taxes.

GREAT BATTLE IN COLOMBIA.

Rebels Defeated and More Than a Thousand of Them Are Slain.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

New York, Nov. 2.—A dispatch to the Herald from Panama says:

Official advises from Bogota, dated November 18th, report that a terrible battle between the government forces and the revolutionaries was fought near the capital, the department of Santander, in which the government forces were victorious.

It is stated that the battle lasted two days, ending at noon of November 18th. More than 1,000 rebels were killed and 2,000 wounded.

About 10,000 men on both sides were engaged in the fight.

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No news has yet been received from Tumaco.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

BY BERTRAND YORK '03, Special Correspondent.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Nov. 20.—An anticipated opinion of the University of California is contained in the report made by F. E. Baume, L. J. E., before a recent meeting of the University College Council in Auckland, New Zealand, and as printed in the Auckland Star of October 20th.

Mr. Baume visited the United States last summer as a commissioner of the University College Council, to study American University methods and ideals. He visited Berkeley on his tour, and was greatly struck with the organization and methods of the University of California. He spent a number of days investigating the University, under the guidance of Professor J. Henry Sengen and Director A. O. Lechner of the Students' Observatory.

The duties of the President of the University struck Mr. Baume as a particularly good feature of the American University system.

"The President of the University," says his report, "is responsible for the entire teaching and administration of the University, and is chosen rather for his reputation as an administrator than for his scholarship. In him is vested, for practical purposes, the appointment of the members of the teaching faculty. He seeks to gather around him men of mark in the various branches of learning, by such means attracting students to the University, and to give to the students a place of high position in the educational world. It will be seen, therefore, how the standing of such universities depends largely upon the personality of its President."

"The University of California is an integral part of the educational system of the State, and as such it completes the work done in the public school system."

Mr. Baume commands the system of educating secondary schools, 300 schools he says, in the State. His interests in the State are knit closely together, and the quality of the work done in the secondary schools is of great interest to the West Mexican regions, and incidentally of California, with much information as to the habits, variations, food, etc. of the numerous birds.

For some time Colonel Grayson's magazine sections of the birds themselves have been deposited here, and have been studied by several specialists. The manuscripts now received will be of much value to their further study.

GYMNASIUM NOTES.

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MILITARY REVIEW.

A dress parade and review will be held in the near future in honor of President Wheeler.

READY FOR A BIG RALLY.

Football Men Will Hear Speeches This Evening.

Preparations have been completed for the biggest student rally in history of the University of California, to be held at Harman gymnasium on the campus this evening. It will be a reunion of alumni and undergraduates young and old, and to enthuse their patriotism towards their college colors in such a love feast of the philomathic as has never been celebrated on the Coast.

Among the special guests of the evening will be the University's best known alumnus, the football coach and the team of '92. The band of the cadet battalions will be there and the other musical selections of the evening will be furnished by the glee and mandolin clubs. The band will be informed the whole University being expected to turn out.

Dr. Arnold A. D'Ancona, '90, Dean of the Medical Department, and President of the U. C. Alumni, will preside at the rally. President Benjamin Ide Wheeler and the trustees of the university will be present. The program will be as follows:

Professor Hayne's object is to endeavor to show the reasons and if possible to find ways in which the difficulties can be overcome. Over a hundred different varieties of olives, including the best European varieties are being grown in California. Professor Hayne will embody his results in his address, and will be ready to discuss the cultural conditions and methods of manufacturing olive oil and preparing the olives for market.

SAN JOSE HORTICULTURAL CONVENTION.

At the convention of the State Fruit Growers' Association in San Jose, December 1st to 4th, 1900, it will be the duty of Professor C. A. Lusk of the University of California on "The Philippines as a Pacific Market for California Fruit Products," and by Professor C. W. Woodward on "Fruit Green."

GEYSERVILLE FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

At the Farmers' Institute, at Geyserville, the first meeting of the year, last week, resolutions were passed warmly commending the agricultural work of the University of California, and a letter of thanks was drafted to President Banjo M. Ide Wheeler. Professor E. J. Wick-

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Award to Johann Hoff.

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DAHLGREN A RANK FAILURE.

The Torpedo Boat Way Below Contract Speed.

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